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HOUSE APPROVES Obey REQUEST FOR \$1 MILLION FOR Lake Holcombe Wastewater Treatment Plant IMPROVEMENTS

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Seventh District Congressman Dave Obey (D-WI) announced today that his request for \$1 million in federal funding to help the Lake Holcombe Sanitary District make necessary improvements to the municipal wastewater treatment plant has been included in next year's interior appropriations bill which was approved by the House of

Representatives last night.

“An effective water system is one of the basic building blocks for a region’s economy,” said Obey, the Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee. “So I’m glad the House approved my request for a grant to help the community make necessary improvements to the wastewater treatment plant without putting too large a burden on local taxpayers.”

“Hopefully, by extending the reach of the sewer system and adding capacity, we can open the door for

additional economic development in the region," Obey added.

Upgrades to the Lake Holcombe wastewater treatment plant are intended to help the community meet federal drinking water standards and protect the health of local residents and visitors by increasing the municipal sewer system's capacity, extending its reach and keeping the local flowage safe from contamination.

However, the bill must still be approved by the Senate and signed by the President before it becomes law

, but having these funds included in today's House approved version means that a major hurdle has been cleared," Obey noted.

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